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**STAFFORD.**  
 Improvements—Scarce Leaves—Notes, Personal, Etc.

(Correspondence of THE FREE LANCE.)  
 Stafford C. H., Va., May 5, 1902.  
 The parsonage garden is being fenced in. Mr. Potter has been employed ever since his return from Conference in putting the parsonage in good shape. Mrs. Potter and her youngest son, "Zan," will be home tomorrow after a visit to relatives.  
 At the Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church South held at Andrew's Chapel last Saturday, Stafford Circuit was assessed \$100 for parsonage repairs.  
 Drs. Hales and Chewning dined at "Mt. Pisgah" the hospitable residence of Mr. Jno. H. Gray last Friday.  
 Mr. Edward West will move today from his store house south of the jail to one upon the land of Dr. Boint just west of the Courthouse.  
 Mr. C. J. Searey left here yesterday for Brooke and took the train north.  
 There is a difference of opinion as to when the dog saw goes into effect. Your correspondent thinks it goes into effect at once. Most of the officers handle it very gingerly.  
 County Court 21st May. Nothing of consequence on docket yet. Board of Supervisors meet 4th Monday.  
 It is said that one of the jurymen who sat on the jury in the case of Martin's adm'r vs. R. F. & P. R. Co., almost brought the proprietor of the dining room to bankruptcy by the tremendous amount of edibles consumed by him. He seated himself at the door near the kitchen and captured every dish that came in.  
 Mr. Taylor Cooper has been the guest of Mr. Edward West for several days.  
 Mr. C. D. Green has purchased of Mrs. Bird Howell, of Washington, her portion of Point Ridge lying on the road from Andrew's Chapel to Brooke. Mr. Green contemplates erecting a fine residence thereon in the near future.  
 Mr. Hill Carter, of Hanover, made a fine impression upon those he came in contact with here, both as a lawyer and a gentleman. This was Mr. Carter's first appearance in Stafford, although he has a State reputation.

**KING GEORGE.**  
 Personal Notes And Other Notes.  
 (Correspondence to THE FREE LANCE.)  
 King George C. H., May 3, 1902.  
 Miss Fanny Washington and Mr. William Washington, of "Campbellton," Westmoreland county, who have been visiting at Powhatan, in this county, have returned.  
 Mrs. Rose T. Hunter, who has been visiting her relatives, the Hunters, has returned to Washington.  
 Mr. Fielding Lewis, the Mayor of South Mianie, Indian Territory, and a prominent member of the bar, of that city, is visiting his mother and sisters at his old home, "Marmion."  
 Miss Eva Tyler, who has been a guest of Miss Minnie Smith at "Adelbert," is returned to Fredericksburg.  
 Mr. Thomas L. Hunter, of Washington, who has been quite sick for the past two weeks, will spend some days with his relatives, the Hunters, at the Courthouse to recuperate.  
 Miss Imogen Tayloe, who has been visiting her relatives, the Tayloes, at "Powhatan," has returned to her home, the "Laurels," in Westmoreland, much to the regret of her many friends here.  
 Mr. J. R. Baker, a prominent merchant at Edge Hill, in this county, has returned from a business trip to Baltimore.  
 The forest fire that has been raging in the Yellow Hill neighborhood has subsided, after burning miles of valuable timber and fencing. Mr. T. P. Yerby's large saw mill narrowly escaped the flames.

**Exciting Experience With Fire.**  
 While Lawrence Belfield and Lloyd Yeatman, of the Northern Neck, were on their way to a fishing shore they had quite a novel experience. About 1,000 bundles of fodder, which they were carrying to feed their horses on, caught fire from flying sparks of burning brush. The fodder was in a light blaze when their attention was called to it by a farmer near the road. The horses became frightened, and started off at full speed. Mr. Belfield jumped from the wagon, but Mr. Yeatman, who was driving, was compelled to keep his seat. He had his clothing burnt. The wind blew the flames into the fence on an adjoining farm, and these gentlemen had to labor for two hours to put the fire out.

**Analysis of Warrenton's Vote On Dispensary Plan.**  
 The analysis of the vote at the recent dispensary election in Warrenton is as follows:  
 For Dispensary—White, 96; black, 10. Against Dispensary—White, 54; black, 100. Majority against dispensary, 48.  
 The white vote stood as follows: For the dispensary, 96; against the dispensary, 54; majority of white votes for the dispensary, 42. The negro vote was as follows: For the dispensary, 10; against the dispensary, 100; majority of negroes against the dispensary, 90.

**There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other disease put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surface of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circular and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.**

**Farm Labor Scarce.**  
 Farm negro labor have left in large numbers and the farmers are somewhat puzzled to know how to crop this season. The question of farm labor is one that requires sound consideration and the farmers everywhere in Eastern Virginia should lose no time in securing in some way reliable farm labor. White labor and machinery will be the solution of the problem.—Louisiana News.

**Another Silver Service for Schley.**  
 The silver service made from silver coins taken from the Spanish cruiser Cristobal Colon, to be presented Admiral Schley, has been completed and is on exhibition in Baltimore.

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**SPOTSYLVANIA WRITINGS.**

List of Writings Admitted to Record in the Clerk's Office of Spotsylvania Court Since April Term.

- T. L. Biscoe and wife to Jos. Murphy, deed for 25 acres land.
- M. J. Lacy and wife to Jas. L. Seay, deed for 8 4-5 acres land.
- Ausville Murphy to J. G. Harris, deed for personal property.
- A. B. Wigglesworth and wife to J. S. Haynes, deed for 103 1/2 acres land.
- Lou Wormly and als. to Nelson Thornorton, deed for 3 1/2 acres land.
- R. L. Hester to Thos. J. Hester, deed for 65 acres land.
- Mary F. Southworth and als. to John W. Blackley, deed for 35 acres land.
- Chas. Hardenburg and wife to Willis Harris, deed for 156 acres land.
- M. B. Rowe and wife to N. W. Payne, deed for 100 acres land.
- W. F. Brooks and wife to Wm. Harefield, deed for 25 1/2 acres land.
- C. E. Seay and wife to W. T. Harefield, deed for 12 1/2 acres land.
- J. H. Hallbrook and als. to W. T. Harefield, deed for 12 1/2 acres land.
- M. J. Lacy and wife to Ben Brooks, deed for 11 1/2 acres land.
- Susie F. Pendleton to J. S. Spindle, deed for 69 1/2 acres land.
- J. J. Pulliam, trustee, etc. to W. H. Capron, deed for 450 acres land.
- J. S. Spindle and wife to Lawrence Stannard, deed for 69 1/2 acres land.
- J. W. Jett and wife to A. L. Fairchild, deed for 1 acre land.
- R. R. Howison and wife to Henry Warden and wife, deed for land.
- W. E. Biscoe, trustee, to J. H. Swift, deed for 1 acre land.
- Lee J. Graves, trustee, to John Myers, deed for 10 acres land.
- John Myers and wife to John Hartman, trustee, deed trust on land.
- G. W. Perry and wife to Dabney Tallafarro, deed for 10 acres land.
- A. T. Embrey to Lewis Musselman, deed for 20 1/2 acres land.
- A. T. Embrey to Bowen Embrey, deed for 3 acres land.
- Mary B. Mills to A. A. Pritchett, deed for 12 1/2 acres land.
- R. W. Colbert and als. to E. Jones and T. Smith, deed for 14 acres land.
- W. H. Ware and ux. to F. W. Coleman, trustee, deed trust on 40 acres land.
- J. S. Haynes and ux. to Lee J. Graves, trustee, deed trust on 103 1/2 acres land.
- A. D. Straughan, trustee, to B. C. Burton, trustee, deed for land.
- Willis Harris and wife to L. M. Smith, trustee, deed trust on 156 acres land.
- W. H. Capron and wife to Lee J. Graves, trustee, deed trust on 450 acres land.
- E. T. Pratt to St. Geo. R. Fitzhugh, trustee, deed trust on 756 acres land.

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 To Receive Davis Portrait.  
 On June 3d the anniversary of the birthday of Jefferson Davis, the Richmond Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, of which Mrs. Norman V. Handolph is president, will present the R. E. Lee Camp with a three-quarter life-size portrait of Jefferson Davis. It will be a very fine piece of work from an artistic standpoint.  
 The occasion will be exceedingly interesting. Prominent Confederates from all parts of the State will be present, and speeches will be made by well known Virginia orators.  
 The new Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Moody, was serving his fourth term in Congress as a representative from Massachusetts when he resigned from the body mentioned to become a member of the President's official family. He is the youngest man in the Cabinet, having been born in 1853, and is unmarried. He is a Harvard graduate.  
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**Baptist Sunday School Convention.**  
 The Baptist Sunday-School Convention for the Northern Neck will meet on May 24th and 25th at Fairfield's Baptist church, Northumberland county, Rev. Horace Newbill will preach the introductory sermon. A number of important essays will be read by the leading Baptists of the Neck. Rev. Robert Williamson, Rev. A. D. Reynolds, Mr. John L. Beale, Rev. Richard Edwards, Mr. Frank Settle, Rev. P. Y. Bradley, Jr., Rev. B. S. Monda, and Mr. A. S. Rice, are among the most prominent speakers and essayists.  
 Miss Florence Newman, who has been a great sufferer from muscular rheumatism, says Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the only remedy that affords her relief. Miss Newman is a much respected resident of the village of Gray, N. Y., and makes this statement for the benefit of others similarly afflicted. This liniment is for sale by \* M. M. Lewis druggist.

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